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Doctor of Nursing Practice (D.N.P.)
Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Concentration (Post-B.S.N.)
2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

CORE COURSES (27 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 700	Advanced Nursing Research[1]	3	___	___
NURS 715	Theoretical Application for Advanced Practice Nursing[2]	3	___	___
NURS 716	Applications of Evidence-Based Care[1]	3	___	___
NURS 718	Informatics, Technology & Trends for Transforming Healthcare[1]	3	___	___
NURS 721	Leadership, Policy & Ethics[1]	3	___	___
NURS 732	Interprofessional Collaboration & Outcomes Management for Quality in Health Care[1]	3	___	___
NURS 832	Clinical Prevention & Biostatistics[1,3]	3	___	___
NURS 834	Healthcare Operations & Financial Management[1]	3	___	___
NURS 836	Translational Research in Healthcare[1]	3	___	___

ADVANCED PRACTICE CORE COURSES (9 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 711	Advanced Physiology & Pathophysiology[1,4]	3	___	___
NURS 712	Advanced Health Assessment for Nurse Practitioners[1,4,5]	3	___	___
NURS 713	Advanced Pharmacology for Nurse Practitioners[1,4]	3	___	___

PSYCHIATRIC MENTAL HEALTH NURSE PRACTITIONER CONCENTRATION (20 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 742	Nursing Seminar: Issues in Global Health[1]	2	___	___
NURS 751	Neurobiology & Differential Diagnosis of Mental Disorders[6]	3	___	___
NURS 752	Clinical Psychopharmacology[6]	3	___	___
NURS 753	Psychotherapeutic Theories, Frameworks & Modalities[6]	3	___	___
NURS 768	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum I: Adult/Gero[5,6]	4	___	___
NURS 769	Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Practicum II: Pediatrics/Family[5,6]	5	___	___
NURS 821	Comprehensive Exam: Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner[6,7]	0	___	___

ELECTIVE COURSE (3 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
[8]		3	___	___

GATE COURSES (0 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 756	School of Nursing Gate 1 PMHNP	0	___	___
NURS 757	School of Nursing Gate 2 PMHNP	0	___	___
NURS 828	School of Nursing DNP Practicum Gate	0	___	___

PROJECT & PRACTICUM COURSES (14 hours)

		Hrs	Sem	Grade
NURS 840	D.N.P. Practicum I[5,6]	2	___	___
NURS 841	D.N.P. Practicum II[5,6]	2	___	___
NURS 842	D.N.P. Practicum III[5,6]	2	___	___
NURS 843	D.N.P. Practicum IV[5,6]	2	___	___
NURS 844	D.N.P. Practicum V[5,6,9]	2	___	___
NURS 947	Scholarly Project Planning[1]	1	___	___
NURS 948	Scholarly Project I[1]	1	___	___
NURS 949	Scholarly Project II[1]	1	___	___
NURS 950	Scholarly Project Defense[1]	1	___	___

TOTAL HOURS 73

Graduation Requirements

Complete 73 hours

A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No grades lower than B may be applied to the degree

Successful completion of Comprehensive Exam

Successful completion of 1064 Practicum hours

Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Offered in Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

[1] Course offered in online format

[2] Intensive Format Optional

[3] NURS 832 requires a graduate level Biostatistics course as a prerequisite. HLTH 501 will meet this requirement, if needed.

[4] Course offered in resident format

[5] Practicum hours required

[6] Synchronous virtual class time

[7] This exam is specific for Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner students and cannot be replaced by NURS 820

[8] Choose any 700-900 level course not already applying to the degree.

[9] NURS 844 may be repeated in order to allow the student more time to complete the required practicum hours. Students are able to re-enroll with the approval of the Nursing Department and enrollment must not exceed four times

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (Fall)		
NURS 700[1]		3
NURS 711		3
NURS 715[2]		3
	Total	9

Second Semester (Spring)		
NURS 712[1,2,3]		3
NURS 713		3
NURS 718[1]		3
	Total	9

Third Semester (Summer)		
NURS 716[1]		3
NURS 721[1]		3
NURS 732[1]		3
	Total	9

Fourth Semester (Fall)		
NURS 751[4]		3
NURS 752[4]		3
NURS 753[4]		3
NURS 756		0
	Total	9

Fifth Semester (Spring)		
NURS 742[1]		2
NURS 757		0
NURS 768[3,4]		3
NURS 832[1]		4
	Total	9

Sixth Semester (Summer)		
NURS 769[3,4]		5
NURS 821[4,5]		0
NURS 828		0
NURS 836[1]		3
	Total	8

Seventh Semester (Fall)		
NURS 834[1]		3
NURS 840[3,4]		2
NURS 947[1]		1
NURS Elective[6]		3
	Total	9

Eighth Semester (Spring)		
NURS 841[3,4]		2
NURS 842[3,4]		2
NURS 948[1]		1
NURS 949[1]		1
	Total	6

Ninth Semester (Summer)		
NURS 843[3,4]		2
NURS 844[3,4,7]		2
NURS 950[1]		1
	Total	5

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